

Request for Applications: Economic Empowerment Q&A

1. *I saw that the OCAP prefers to select at least one grantee from each of the OCAP identified regions of California (Northern, Capital, Bay Area, Sierra, Central Valley and Southern). My agency is located in Santa Barbara County. Does OCAP consider Santa Barbara County a preferred region in California?*

Santa Barbara County is part of the OCAP identified Southern region. The OCAP would prefer to have at least one grantee from each region of California, but there are not "preferred regions."

2. *Is this funding strictly for Native American groups, or for groups that intend to work with Native Americans?*

Only three of the ten grantees will be qualified block grant recipients who are also affiliated with Native American tribes in California. To be "affiliated" with Native American tribes, the organization must be dedicated to tribal matters, have formal working agreements with a tribe, or have extensive tribal experience.

3. *On page 7, where it says "Each Applicant must electronically submit all the following...", #5 lists "Collaborative Partners". Is this different than what is requested in the narrative as listed on page 9, #5 (Collaboration)? Is #5 on page 7 requesting a list of the collaborative partners?*

The item on page 7 is a list of what we need and the item on page 9 is a more detailed description of that requirement. "Collaboration" on page 9 should have been written as "Collaborative Partners."

4. *The RFP specifies the applicants must be qualified to receive Community Services Block Grants and provides a link to the CSD website. That website doesn't clearly articulate eligibility requirements. I found the link to "look up services in your area" and I see the current providers. But if eligibility for Economic Empowerment is based on whether or not an agency is eligible for CS Block Grants instead of who is receiving them, I'm currently not able to determine who is eligible. Can you point me in the right direction?*

To become eligible, you must meet a variety of statutory requirements. All currently eligible organizations are listed in the 2018-2019 Community Services Block Grant (CSBG) State Plan and Application document on page 17: <http://www.csd.ca.gov/Portals/0/Documents/Public%20Notices/2018-19%20CSBG%20State%20Plan.pdf> A new CSBG eligible entity can be identified when a given geographical area of the state ceases to be served by an existing CSBG agency, either through voluntary relinquishment of an agency's

eligible status or de-designation for failing to meet state and federal requirements.